

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method, system, and article of manufacture to efficiently support  
interrupts of a computer system. A message-based interrupt from a device of the  
computer system is intercepted. A fake line-based interrupt for the device  
5 corresponding to the message-based interrupt is determined, wherein an  
operating system (OS) of the computer system is not message-based interrupt  
capable. The fake line-based interrupt is issued to the OS. A query from the OS  
regarding the fake line-based interrupt is serviced, the query to determine if the  
fake line-based interrupt was from the device. An interrupt vector associated  
10 with the message-based interrupt is provided to the OS.